go into that because Mr. Salve was also a Minister in I and B.

SHRI P, SHIV SHANJKER : One grand-father has already admitted.

SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA : Usually the-principle that is followed whenever such athing comes up is, a Cabinet note is sent to all the departments. I am not sure whether the previous Government seaMtto the Defence Ministry. Butt I suppose all the department's notes came in according to the Cabinet's Memo of circulation. I will have to .check it up and answer.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Sir, the installation, of an antenna has not *been* "permitted far the civilians who reside in that aia Where .an ordnance factory is located at Bhandara. The Defence Minister had done that.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The Defence Minister was the Chief Minister when this question came up.

SHRI P. SHIV SHAN.KER : What ,a bad legacy, Sir ?

SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA : Any licence to be given is . controlled by the Department of Telecommunation and they being the nodal agency deal with other , departments as well, including : Defence department.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Financial requirements for fertilizer pecjects

*143. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have set up an inter-ministerial working group to study the financial requirements For setting up fertiliser .projects during the Eighth Pan period ;

(b) if so, by when the study group would submit its report ;

,(c)f whether the production of fertilizer by;fl>ufejie sector enterprises is not upto the mark; and

t (d). if so, what steps Goverment propose to: take to None, upline production capacity of fertilizer units in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CH1NTA (MOHAN): (a) and (b) On 24th 'March, 1992, Inter-Ministerial Committee for assessing and quantifying the requieement of funds and lor identifying the possible sources of funds for various fertilizer projects an the public and cooperative sectors, that are under consideration. The Committee expects to submit its report by June, 1,992.

(c) Except the Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation(HFC) and the Fertilizer Corporation of India (FCI), which are old loss(making companies public sector, the other public sector fertilizer companies are performing well in terms of fertilizer production.

(d) The over poduction performance of the fertiliser industry .Jias^eensaitisfactoiy, as is evident from 88.5% capacity utilisation in the case of nitrogenous plants and 93% in the , case pf. phosphatic plants during 1991-92.

To improve production further, Government encouraging various units, to under-

increase production and .inprove viability.

Transfer of Rocket Technology from Russia

146, /SHRIMATI VEENA V£RMA .

SHRI VJSW.WASRAO RAMRAO RATJL:

WillafaeWilME MINISTER be pleased to,state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Russia has suspended transfer 6f rocket technology to India ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ;

(c) what is the latest position about the contrast signed between Russian and Indian space agencies about iransifer of rocket technology ; and

(d) what steps .Government propose to take for transfer of rqeket ..technology from fcttSSi*?

* THE MINISTER -OF STATE IN 'THE MINISTRY OF; PERSONNEL; PUBLIC GRIEVANCES ANET PENSIONS SHRI-MATI MARGARET ALVA),: (a) No, Si.(b) Does not .arise,

, (c) The programme has been progressing on schedule for realising the Geo-stationary Satellite Launch : Vehicle (GSLV) with cryogenic engine in 1995. -

(d) Does not arise.'

' Unemployed Graduate Engineers 'in Assam

*147. SHRI BHADiESWAR tfuRAGO-, HAIN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total number of un-employe'd graduate engineers in Assam at present;

' (b) since when they are unemployed , and

' (c) whether any scheme has been chalked out by Government either State or C-iritral to provide employment'to'those engineers?

,TH£ MINISTER OF STATE QF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P. A. 'SANGMA) : (a) to "(c) As! per the information available on the' basis of certain : studies made in 1990, the estimated number of unemployed degree holders in'Engineer-. ing in Assam was 140. Information regarding thfi period for, wruch,.they were unemployed is not available.

The Eighth Five Year Plan envisages a geographically and crop-wise diversified agricultural development, development of rural, non-farm sector, faster' growth of small and decentralised manufacturing, expansion of housing, health, services and educntibn .and strengthening, of infrastructure-like energy,' transport, communication and irrigation which should generate sub-stantial employment opportunities for the educated, including technical and other graduates. As per information available, the State Government in their Eighth Plan or in the Annual Plan for 1992-93 have not suggested any special employment scheme for the unemployed engineers.

Project reports regarding Growth centres in States

*148. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : WiU the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of project reports for the growth centre schemes received from each State Government as on March, 1992;

(b) the number of such projects approved by the Apex committee and how many were cleared by the Ministry;

(c) whether it is a fact that the budgetary allocations for these schemes were not fully utilised in the years 1990-91; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to approve the pending project reports ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN): (a) and (b) A statement showing the total number of project reports received from each of the State Governments and the number of projects approved by the Central Government is attached *[See* below],

, (c) Out of a provision of Rs. 30 crores in the year 1990-91 a sum of Rs. 15 crores was utilised under the Scheme.

(d) Till the end of March 1992, 48 project reports were received out of which 22 reports have been approved. A sum of Rs. 41 crores has been released towards the approved reports. In addition, to provisional release of Rs. 10.50 crores has been made in respect of reports received upto 31-12-91 and which are under appraisal.